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FACT SHEET

Construction of Health and Education Facilities (CHEF)

OVERVIEW

With the lowest literacy and health indicators in the world, Afghanistan requires strong support to address the critical healthcare and education needs of its population. CHEF project is designed to address the medical needs of more than two million Afghan citizens through construction of two new hospitals and serve the needs of more than one million Afghan citizens through the construction of three Provincial midwife training centers.

These health facilities will support the Ministry of Public Health in its efforts to provide urgently needed health services, including inpatient and outpatient referral and treatment. The hospitals will also serve as training facilities for health professionals, as well as venues for medical conferences and seminars.

The education component of the CHEF project is addressing teacher training needs (current and projected), according to the priorities identified by the Ministry of Education, by providing four provincial teacher training colleges to educate teachers, and trainers of teachers. These facilities will help increase the quality and number of teachers, strengthening the educational capacity of Afghanistan.

CURRENT ACTIVITIES

- Design and construct a 100-bed hospital in Gardez, Paktya Province
- Design and construct a 20-bed hospital in Khairkot District, Paktika Province
- Design and construct three Provincial midwife training centers in Bamyan and Badakhshan provinces that include an academy building for education of up to 60 students, a dormitory building, a dining room, and a guard/visitor house
- Design and construct provincial teacher training colleges in Faryab, Wardak, and Parwan provinces that include an academy building for instruction of up to 600 students, two dormitory buildings for 100 male and 100 female students, and a dining facility
- Design and construct a teacher training dormitory in Nangarhar Province

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Constructed five prefabricated facilities and renovations at Antany Hospital in Kabul
- Completed construction of a prefabricated structure for Sherzad School in Nangarhar Province
- Refurbished Qawchin Clinic in Jawzjan Province
- Constructed a midwife training center in Khost